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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte: BALA RAMACHANDRAN

Application No. 10/696,626
Technology Center 2600

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Before Deborah Perry, *Supervisory Paralegal Specialist, Review Team*
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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 24, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

EXAMINER'S ANSWER, EVIDENCE RELIED UPON

Section 1207.02 of the *Manual of Patent Examining Procedure*

(MPEP) (Eighth Edition, Rev. 6, September 2007) states:

(A) CONTENT REQUIREMENTS FOR EXAMINER'S ANSWER. The examiner's answer is required to include, under appropriate headings, in the order indicated, the following items:

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- (8) Evidence Relied Upon. A listing of the evidence relied on (e.g., patents, publications, admitted prior art), and in the case of nonpatent references, the relevant page or pages.

The Examiner's Answer mailed November 14, 2008 is deficient because the "Evidence Relied Upon" section fails to include the references, *Digital Video Broadcasting* (<http://www.dvb.com>) and IEEE 802.11a Standards, cited on page 12 in the Examiner's Answer's grounds of rejection of 28-33 under 35 USC § 103(a). Correction is required.

The Examiner's Answer also includes an improper cited reference, in the "Evidence Relied Upon" section, which is not listed in the Final Rejection dated December 11, 2007. Please remove the reference, Smith, Steven W. "Introduction to Digital Filters", *The Scientist and Engineer's Guide to Digital Processing*.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the application be returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) vacate the Examiner's Answer mailed November 14, 2008;
- 2) generate a revised Examiner's Answer correctly setting forth the Evidence Relied Upon section;
- 3) and any other actions that may need to be carried out.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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